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FOR AMBASSADOR SNEIDER

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PGOV, KS, US

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TESTIMONY BEFORE FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE

1. DEPARTMENT HAS JUST RECEIVED FOLLOWING LETTER TO
YOU FROM CONGRESSMAN FRASER:

BEGIN TEXT

DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR:

I AM WRITING TO REQUEST THAT YOU APPEAR AS A WITNESS AT A
PUBLIC HEARING OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL
ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE INVESTIGATION OF KOREAN-AMERICAN
RELATIONS.

THE EXACT DATE FOR THE HEARING HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED,
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BUT YOUR TESTIMONY WILL BE NEEDED AS PART OF A SERIES OF
HEARINGS WE ARE PLANNING TO HOLD DURING THE FIRST TWO
WEEKS OF JUNE. THE HEARINGS WILL EXAMINE KOREAN-AMERICAN
RELATIONS FROM 1973 UNTIL 1976 DURING WHICH TIME YOU SERVED
AS DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EAST ASIAN AND
PACIFIC AFFAIRS AND AMBASSADOR TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA.
AS YOU KNOW, WITNESSES AT PREVIOUS HEARINGS FOR THIS

INVESTIGATION HAVE INCLUDED PERSONS WITH RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR KOREAN AFFAIRS IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW. I AM CONFIDENT THAT YOUR TESTIMONY WOULD MAKE AN IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TOWARD A BALANCED PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE ISSUES UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S INVESTIGATION.

IF YOU CAN BE AVAILABLE TO TESTIFY AT OUR JUNE HEARINGS, WE ARE PREPARED TO CONSULT WITH YOU REGARDING THE SCOPE AND NATURE OF THE QUESTIONS.

WITH BEST WISHES, I AM
SINCERELY YOURS, DONALD M. FRASER, CHAIRMAN
END TEXT

2. WE ARE ALSO INFORMED THAT AMBASSADOR HABIB HAS ALSO BEEN REQUESTED TO TESTIFY BUT CONSIDER IT UNLIKELY AT THIS TIME FOR MEDICAL REASONS.

3. YOU MAY WISH TO INFORM FRASER THAT WHILE YOU ARE QUITE READY TO APPEAR YOU MAY REQUIRE A SLIGHT DELAY IN THE SUGGESTED SCHEDULE.

4. DEPARTMENT WILL PROVIDE TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION FOR YOUR RETURN BY SEPTEL. CHRISTOPHER
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